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Hold High Carnival at the Windsor in Celebration of the

NATAL ANNIVERSARY OF BURNS

Their Greatest Bard—Rev. J. H. Little Responds to the Toast of the Evening—Rev. Dr. Cunningham Responds to "Scotland"—Mr. H. P. McGregor on the Toast "America." A Large Attendance.

The memory of Robert Burns, the immortal bard of Scotland, was sung and toasted at the celebration of the 141st anniversary of his birth held last night at the Hotel Windsor, by the recently organized Thistle Society. The affair was a brilliant success and reflected credit on the enthusiastic Scotchmen who were responsible. There were over one hundred guests and the programme prepared for their delight embraced intellectual entertainment that was dear to the Scottish heart, while the sumptuous banquet was also reminiscent of life beyond the sea, since it included "haggis," "bubbly-jock" and other Scotch dishes.

The attendance was made up of Scotchmen and citizens of Scotch parentage and enthusiasm reigned supreme. The programme, which was quite lengthy, began with the banquet at 10 o'clock and the closing song, "Auld Lang Syne," was rendered at 11 o'clock.

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MEASURES.

James Cummins, E. H. Beldeman, D. A. Cunningham, John McGowan, John McGowan, Walter Woods, William Mann, W. E. Stewart, W. W. Hutchison, J. O. Burke, Robert Nesbitt, Alex. Lindsay, A. L. White, Dr. John McColl, John Hunter, O. R. Wood, H. G. Creighton, H. P. McGregor, Wm. Kidd, R. A. Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Porter, D. W. Fyfe, J. L. Aiken, William Gibb, J. C. Curtis, Thomas McGough, Harry Hoke, J. H. Little, W. G. Gies, J. L. Diamond, Thomas Young, Richard.

The first toast was the Immortal Memory of Burns, responded to by Rev. J. H. Little, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, whose effort was an able and polished one. Mr. Little gave a sketch of the poet's life and quoted aptly from his writings. Burns, he said, was essentially the poet of nature and his ear was close to her soul. The poet was a son of songs and he sang as one who had a mission to perform. The speaker paid glowing tributes to the genius of the Scottish plowman, and he said the name of Burns would be co-existent with time. A song, "There Was a Lad," written by Burns, was sung by D. W. Fyfe, very effectively, the audience joining in the chorus.

Mr. McGregor on "America."

"America, the Home of Our Adoption," was the toast responded to by H. P. McGregor, who spoke as follows:

It seems to me this toast should have been responded to by a native of Scotland and not by one born here, but I feel sure we all have a pardonable pride in our free America, whether born here or in Bonnie Scotland. Is it any wonder the Scotchman loves freedom? Not a Scotchman who means license, but free to do right as he sees the right. With this inherent love of freedom, is it any wonder so many of Scotland's sons have come to America to build homes and enrich this land with a type of sterling integrity and devotion to principle unsurpassed by the people of any other nation? A Scotchman who is firm, and by some called obstinate, is always conservative and safe. Who can estimate the benefit of wise counsel given this country by men of Scottish birth? Their influence has been felt for good in all departments of our government. Their regard for law and the powers that be is proverbial.

"Gandy" is a law-abiding citizen, wherever you find him. He is seldom found in riots or conspiracies, but if the laws of the land do not suit him he goes elsewhere, and who can say that the Scottish blood in this country has not been a mighty factor in building up our beloved America, and perpetuating the principles of a free republic? They prefer to be right rather than popular. Sometimes they are charged with being cold and unsympathetic, but that is more apparent than real, for the Scot's heart is tender and true, and he is none the less a faithful friend, a safe counsellor, a loyal citizen, besides "a man in a man for a' that." While they are somewhat clannish they readily become assimilated, and take their place in church, state and society as the manor born. As American citizens we may be somewhat given to boasting, and our Fourth of July orations may border on the spread eagle style, and it might be well if some power would the giffie gie us to see ourselves as others see us.

Dr. Cunningham on "Scotland."

The ever-popular "Annie Laurie" was sung by J. Curtis, after which Rev. Dr. Cunningham responded to the toast, "Scotland—Land of Our Fathers." Said Dr. Cunningham:

Ladies and gentlemen, Scotchmen and the descendants of Scotchmen. The land of our ancestors is geographically small; but the history of the people is full of thrilling scenes and events; it runs back many centuries. This is not the time nor the place for an extended review of the past. It must be admitted that Scotland is indebted to the Bible, the church, and the school for her greatness and influence in the world. The great influence to the people, and laid the foundations for noble character. It is true that all Scotchmen do not possess noble characters, for there are some bad ones among them; and yet, for the most part we may be proud in a good sense, that Scotland is the home of our ancestry. A mother purchased a fine pair of shoes for her little boy; he put them on and exclaimed, "O mother, I am so proud of them!" The mother said, "My son, you must not be proud." The son replied, "Well, then, I am so glad that I got them." So then, we may be glad to-night that we have a Scotch ancestry.

But time will not permit us just now

to call even the roll of the distinguished men of Scotland. Where is there an equal territory in size on earth that has produced so many warriors, statesmen, philosophers, scientists, teachers, preachers, missionaries, explorers, men of distinction in all ranks and pursuits of life, and last but not least, great poets, of course, there were some small poets as well as great ones. For example, the late Dr. Jamieson, the Scottish lexicographer, was vain of his literary reputation, and, like many others who knew not where their great strength lies, thought, himself, gifted with a kind of intellectual ability to do everything. The doctor published a poem, entitled "Eternity." This poem became the subject of conversational remark, soon after publication, at a party where the doctor was present, and a lady was asked her opinion of it. "It's a bonny poem," said she, "and it's well named Eternity, for it will never be read in time." But not so with the poems of Robert Burns and Sir Walter Scott. They will live and be read as long as the English language continues. How true and fascinating the Cotter's Saturday night; and then that noblest of all the ballads of Burns, his address to "Mary in Heaven," written on the anniversary of the day on which he heard of the death of his early love:

"Thou lingering star, with lessening ray,
That lo'st to greet the early morn,
Ain't thou ushered in the day,
My Mary, from my soul was torn."

"O Mary! dear, departed shade,
Where is thy place of blissful rest?
Seest thou thy lover lowly laid,
Hear'st thou the groans that rend his breast?"

A Picturesque Land.

There is infinite variety in the beautiful spots, and places of historic interest in Scotland. Go where you may in city or village, in lowland or highland, in the country or among the islands, you are never tired of finding something to attract and interest.

Burns sings of "Bonny Doon," near his birth-place. Its banks are indeed "fresh and fair," and in summer time especially, are absolutely laden with floral richness and beauty.

Loch Lomond is unquestionably the pride of Scottish lakes. Dr. Chalmers unconsciously exclaimed when he looked upon this lake, "Would that there might be a Loch Lomond in heaven!" When I was a boy, I had a primer with the picture of Staffa and Fingal's cave in it; and ever after had a desire to see the island and the cave. Providentially, the time did come, when I saw it under the most favorable circumstances; the day was clear and the sea calm, so that we had no difficulty in passing from the steamer to the little boats which carried us into the mouth of the cave. Fingal's cave is indeed a most magnificent specimen of nature's architecture.

Sir Robert Peel said once, in a speech in Glasgow, (in 1837): "I have stood on the shores of Staffa. I have seen the temple not made with hands; I have seen the majestic swell of the ocean, the pulsations of the great Atlantic, beating in its inmost sanctuary, and swelling a note of praise nobler far than any that ever pealed from human organs."

South of Staffa about seven or eight miles is the island of Iona, the Blessed, or Happy Isle, as the word means. Insignificant in size, that island has secured imperishable fame. It was the spot where St. Columba and his co-workers lifted the standard of the cross, and from which the light of Christianity shone out over those northern regions. Iona is thus extolled in verse by Sir Walter Scott.

"Dear is Iona, for her glories long gone by
By virtue and truth, religion's self must die.
Ere thou shalt perish from the chart of fame,
Or darkness shroud the halo of thy name."

And why so warmly cherished is this Iona? It is

"Because the dead who sleep
Around the fragments of her towers sublime
Once taught the world, and swayed the realm of thought,
And ruled the warriors of each northern clime."

The Two Great Cities.

But see what our ancestors had to do in laying the foundations of the two great cities of Scotland—Glasgow, the commercial centre, and Edinburgh, the educational.

Lord Shaftesbury once said in a speech in Edinburgh: "I cannot but regard this capital of the kingdom of Scotland as the capital of a people unrivalled. I think, in the annals of mankind, and I will show why. I observe a people, few in number, with a scanty and comparatively barren territory producing an effect that excites the admiration, makes them contemptuous of all the nations of the world. Few in number—they shine in arts, in arms, in commerce, in political administration, in literature, in the pulpit; they occupy the highest level of intellect and morality, and in proportion to their numbers, no nation has produced so many men of note as this has done, of whose eminence the whole earth is full. Now this is high praise, but history confirms it all. Edinburgh's schools, with their long line of distinguished teachers, are of world-wide celebrity; and from them, as from the city itself, have gone forth some of the greatest men the country has produced. It is the city of David Hume, of Sir Walter Scott, Hugh Miller, Sir James Simpson, and in a sense, of Thomas Carlyle; but better still, it is the city where John Knox, Thomas Chalmers, Robert Candlish, Thomas Guthrie, Horatio Bonar, and many other world-renowned ministers preached the everlasting gospel."

But I can linger no longer in that land of beauty and blessed memories, where our ancestors had their dwelling places. We shall continue to sing "O, wild, traditional Scotland! thy briery burns and braes
Are full of pleasant memories, and tales of other days;
Thy story-haunted waters in music gush along;
Thy mountain glens are tragedies, thy heather hills are songs.
Land of the Bruce and Wallace! where patriot hearts have stood,
And for their country and their faith like water poured their blood;
Where wives and little children were steadfast to the death,
And graves of martyred warriors are in the desert heath."

A Scotch Lassie.

Miss Mary Taylor, of Forrest, Scotland, who has been visiting in this city, and will shortly return to her native land, sang "There Grows a Bonny Brier Bush," and Miss Maggie Maitland danced a Highland Fling to the music of the bagpipes, played by Piper McKay, who wore the kilts and sporran, and the regalia complete of a Highlander.

William Kidd responded to the "President of the United States." Then followed "Afton Water," sung by William Mann, and the reading of "The Cotter's Saturday Night," probably Burns' best liked poem, by H. W. Rogers.

John McFadden responded to "The Ladies' Glee Union." Following which "Glen" Through the Rye" was sung by Samuel Emerson, and "John Anderson, My Joe," by Charles P. Porter.

To "The Lads," A. H. Rawley addressed his remarks. Then Miss Taylor sang "We'd Better Bide Aweel." Mr. Fyfe sang "A Man's a Man for a' That."

"The Scottish Brigade," a thrilling theme, was ably handled by Mr. Frank P. McNeill. The programme concluded with the song, "Scots Wha Hae," by J. L. Diamond, a word dance by Miss Maitland, songs, "The Auld Lang Syne," by William Mann; "My Nan's Awa," by John McFadden, and "Auld Lang Syne," by the gathering,

which brought to a close the first affair of like nature in this city.

To the following gentlemen is due the success of the Burns celebration: Committee of Management—D. F. Fyfe, F. P. McNeill, John McFadden, John L. Diamond and George W. Greig. Reception Committee—Alexander Laing, Will McDonald, Thomas Wallace, F. P. McNeill, H. P. McGregor, D. P. Fyfe, William Mann and John McFadden.

Society.

The rooms of the Carroll club were thronged last evening, the occasion being the inaugural reception of a series of social functions to be given this winter. Members and their friends were present in force, and the spacious auditorium was a scene of animation and beauty. An interesting literary and musical programme was rendered, followed by dancing. The torchlight feature of the evening was the new Carroll Club Lancers. Many new and attractive steps were introduced, and the new dance will doubtless become very popular. The reception was a gratifying success and reflected much credit on the several committees.

The reception committee was composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. Thomas Deegan, James McGinley, Dr. C. A. Wingerter, George J. Mathison, Lawrence Zarnitz, W. S. Foose, James McCann, J. A. Blum, M. Kirchner, M. Loftus, J. Kennedy, John A. Hess, Colonel John T. McGraw, Frank Gruse and Wm. C. Handlan.

Refreshments were served in the dining room. The ladies in charge were Mesdames J. G. Hoffman, Jr., Mrs. M. J. McFadden, Mrs. Colonel Thomas O'Brien, Mrs. A. L. Wilkie, Mrs. J. W. Belts, Mrs. Irene Reilly and Misses Gertrude Black, Mary Ray, Rose Helner, Joe Reilly, Beulah Smith.

The gentlemen having charge of the dancing floor were Messrs. Haase Devries, Harry Vogler, John Murphy, Charles Aul, Albert Nohilly, Dr. John O'Kane, G. A. Truchel and Lawrence Steinmetz.

Meister's full orchestra furnished the music. The next entertainment will be a club dance and social on Monday, February 2.

Miss Margaretta Bard entertained the Island Club last evening, at her home on Virginia street.

The King's Daughters of the First Presbyterian church will give a candy and cake sale to-morrow for the benefit of the Day Nursery and the other charities maintained by this organization. Support for this worthy undertaking cannot be too generous or too hearty.

The Doddridge sword fund entertainment is to materialize about February 8 or 10, and when the announcement of its character and attractiveness is made in Saturday's Intelligencer great will be the interest aroused in the undertaking.

Last night, at Armory hall, Market street, Battery A, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, gave an entertainment and dance that attracted a large and delighted audience. The programme included a series of beautiful lantern slide views, including the pictorial farce, "Brown and Jones' Fence."

In the second part were shown Edison's moving pictures. Solos were given by Mrs. W. M. Clemens and J. J. Neely, and Miss Clemens and Mrs. Neely. Dancing followed and the evening's entertainment was voted a great success.

Welcome lodge No. 6, A. O. U. W., entertained at its hall last night. A number of members were present in large numbers and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Y. M. C. A. Anniversary.

An elaborate and interesting programme has been arranged for the 15th anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association, to be held in the Opera House next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Addresses will be delivered by Dr. J. L. Sooy and Rev. J. H. Little, a brief report will be presented by the general secretary, and a collection will be taken to defray the expenses of the meeting. The music will be one of the attractive features. Mrs. J. P. Henley will sing a solo, and a quartet composed of Mrs. Flora Williams, Miss Haney and Messrs. Baum and Emerson, will render several selections. The congregational singing will be assisted by a male chorus and an orchestra. The anniversary of the association is always largely attended.

CHINESE EMPEROR

Appoints Pu Chun, Son of Prince Tuano, as His Heir.

PEKIN, Jan. 25.—The imperial edict issued yesterday says that, owing to the emperor's poor health he is unable to conduct the business of state and appoints Pu Chun, son of Prince Tuano, his heir.

The emperor, apparently, has been compelled by the dower empress to abdicate about the Chinese new year, though it is understood this will meet with considerable opposition in certain court circles. The dowager, however, intends to carry out the programme, which she has been planning for years.

WHEELING & LAKE ERIE

To Secure a New Line to West Virginia Coal Fields.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 25.—Negotiations are pending through which the Wheeling & Lake Erie hopes to gain entrance to the West Virginia coal fields. Through a reorganization of the Zanesville & Ohio River road, soon to be sold by the receiver, the Wheeling management expects to acquire that property. An abandoned portion of the Cleveland, Canton & Southern will extend the line to Marietta via Zanesville, and plans are for new tracks into the Virginia coal territory.

Lively Tilt in the French Chamber.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—In the chamber of deputies to-day M. Lasies, anti-Semite, presented his interpellation to the government on the high court prosecution, but the premier, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, refused to accept it, and asked for its postponement for a month. M. Lasies then wanted to discuss it next week, but the government scored by the chamber agreeing to postpone for a month, which M. Lasies explained: "The people will say you are afraid! In a month's time we shall be in the midst of the carnival, and that is not a season to assassinate ministries."

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SISTERSVILLE SOCIAL

Items of an Entertaining and Gossipy Character—Doings of an Interesting Nature in the Metropolis of the Oil Field.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. SISTERSVILLE, Jan. 25.—Last evening, at their home on the south side, Mr. and Mrs. William Bostaph, entertained a number of friends in honor of their guest, Miss Sadie Millison, of Bowling Green, Ohio, a sister of Mrs. Bostaph. There was a large number of people present, and the evening was very pleasantly spent in games of various kinds and other social amusements until a late hour, when luncheon was served. Miss Millison will remain here for a couple of weeks visiting her sister and other relatives and friends.

Will F. Doyle, contractor and operator, is confined to his room with something like an attack of typhoid fever. He will not be able to get about for some days yet. His brothers, Arthur, of St. Mary's, and Lynn, of Toledo, Ohio, are here attending him.

There is very little being done in the oil fields now, on account of the condition of the roads, which are in worse shape now than they have been for a couple of years. The mud is so deep that it is almost impossible for the teams to get through it, even with the very lightest loads, and as a consequence the operators and producers are compelled to suspend operations for a while. The extreme wet weather of the past couple of weeks has been the cause of the present condition of roads, and only those contractors who got their material out during the freezeup are able to go ahead with their work.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sullivan, of New York City, arrived here the first of the week, and will join the Vandye-Eaton repertoire when they leave here. While in the city Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Christ, of Brown street.

Yesterday afternoon, at their handsome home on Main street, Mr. and Mrs. A. Soper McCoy very delightfully entertained in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Walker, of Bradford, Pa., who have been visiting them for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Connolly, of Salem, W. Va., who were called here by the death of Mrs. Connolly's sister, Mrs. Harry Griffin, at Elk Fork, a few days ago, and who accompanied the remains to Bradford, Pa., passed through the city yesterday on their way home to Salem.

W. A. Kelly, who has been managing the Ohio River dining rooms here and at Point Pleasant, has resigned the position and left yesterday for New York City, where he will accept a position as assistant manager of the Hotel Majestic. While here Mr. Kelly made a host of friends, who will be sorry to hear of his departure.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Berry, of Wells street, are the happy and proud parents of a fine large baby boy, which arrived at their home a couple of days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Berry are well known in Wheeling, Mrs. Berry being the daughter of Judge Driggs, of Bridgeport, O. Blair Anawalt left yesterday for New York on a business trip for ten days, for the firm of E. Stewart & Co., of Wells street.

Mrs. W. W. Dick, of upper Wells street, who has been the guest of friends and relatives at St. Mary's for a couple of days, has returned to the city. She was accompanied by her charming daughter, Miss Tillie.

A. J. Yoke, operator and producer, who has been visiting relatives and friends at points in Michigan and Wisconsin for some weeks, has returned to the city.

Miss Mayme McEldowney, daughter of Captain John McEldowney, of New Martinsville, arrived in the city yesterday, and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCormick, of Wells street, for a few days.

Mrs. Margaret Miller, mother of Mrs. Harry Sybert, of the north end, arrived in the city yesterday from West Monterey, Pa., and will visit here for a couple of weeks. She is accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. O. J. Williams, of the same place.

There was a slight freight wreck below the city yesterday afternoon in which the fireman on train No. 32 was slightly injured. The connecting rod of the engine broke, derailing the tender and some of the cars. Several cars were badly broken up, but aside from the fireman no one was injured.

Edward Dalton, the well known torpedo dealer, who has been in Pittsburgh for several days, has returned to the city.

Miss Anna Kane, of Diamond street, who has been ill for some weeks, is getting along nicely and will soon be able to be about again.

Miss Ella Winesburg, a charming and accomplished young lady, of Bellaire, Ohio, arrived in the city yesterday and will be the guest of relatives and friends here for a short time.

Miss Zelma Minemyer, of the public schools, is confined to her home with a severe attack of tonsillitis. She will be able to be about again in a couple of days.

J. Harvey Hanks, the torpedo dealer, who has been to New York and other points in the east during the past three weeks, returned to the city last evening.

IF business men and merchants consult their best interests they will advertise in the Intelligencer.

THE RIVER.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES. Cincinnati.....QUEEN CITY, 10 a. m. Parkersburg.....H. K. BEDFORD, 11 a. m. Marietta.....URANIA, 10 a. m. Matamoras.....JEWEL, 11 a. m. Pittsburgh.....LORENA, 6 a. m. Sistersville.....GREENWOOD, 3 p. m. Steubenville.....RUTH, 2:30 p. m. Clarington.....LEROY, 2:30 p. m. Steubenville.....T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY. Pittsburgh.....VIRGINIA, 5 a. m. Marietta.....URANIA, 10 a. m. Parkersburg.....BEN HUR, 11 a. m. Marietta.....ELOISE, 11 a. m. Sistersville.....LEROY, 2:30 p. m. Clarington.....LEROY, 2:30 p. m. Steubenville.....T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m. Steubenville.....RUTH, 2:30 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW. Marietta.....URANIA, 10 a. m. Clarington.....GREENWOOD, 6:30 a. m. Parkersburg.....H. K. BEDFORD, 11 a. m. Matamoras.....JEWEL, 11 a. m. Clarington.....LEROY, 2:30 p. m. Steubenville.....T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m. Steubenville.....RUTH, 2:30 p. m.

Along the Landing.

The Josh Cook passed down with coal at 4 p. m.

The Tipton passed up with a tow of empties at noon.

The Queen City had a heavy trip yesterday out of the upper Ohio.

The marks at 6 p. m. Thursday, showed 15 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather, colder, with rain and snow.

The Greenwood passed up last night from the Kanawha, thirteen hours late, owing to fogs and heavy business.

Inspectors Clark and Thomas have returned from Zanesville, where they inspected the Muskingum river packet Valley Gem.

Assistant Surveyor of Customs Reed has returned from Marietta, where he made the official measurements of the new excursion steamer Francis J. Torrence. She is 211.5 feet long, beam of hull 34.5 feet, beam over all 54.5 feet, depth of hold 6.4 feet; tonnage about 600. She has two cabin decks in addition to the lower deck, and the entire upper cabin is divided into parlors. She is one of the finest excursion steamers in the country. She will steam up to Pittsburgh the coming spring, leaving Marietta about April 10, and will stop over at Wheeling in order to allow people here to inspect her.

Pittsburgh River News.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 25.—Capt. John F. Dravo, secretary of the Pittsburgh Coal Company, who returned to Pittsburgh to-day from Washington, in company with W. J. Wood, says that a river and harbor bill will be passed at this session of Congress. The resolution, which was prepared by Congressman E. F. Acheson, calling for \$1,600,000 to repair and enlarge the locks on the Monongahela river, will be withdrawn and the item will be inserted in the river and harbor bill.

Captain Dravo said: "The committee from the Tennessee river was first heard by the river and harbor committee. They are fighting for a just cause, but then I pointed out the vast tonnage of commerce on the Monongahela and the comparison was so marvelous that it startled some of the committee. I was only allowed half an hour in which to make my statement. After I had finished a member from up in Massachusetts congratulated me. There will be a river and harbor bill. So much pressure is being brought to bear upon the members of Congress that they cannot neglect the interests of the various waterways."

Captain Dravo will return to Washington in a few days and will represent the interests of the Western Waterways Association, which has for its object the improving of the Monongahela river.

There was a big jam of towboats at lock No. 2, on the Monongahela river to-day. One lock there is useless and that is why the river interests are taking such vigorous action to have improvements made. At one time twenty-four towboats with their tows, were waiting above and below the lock to get through with tows of coal and empties. Some of the boats have been there for twelve hours and it will be late to-day before the boats are all through. The recent resumption in navigation has caused much activity in the pools and much coal is being loaded and it is being brought to Pittsburgh for shipment. Another rise is anticipated; to give good water for some time to come, unless the rise is checked by the cold wave.

River Telegrams.

OIL CITY—River 5 feet 4 inches and falling. Weather, cooler and light snow.

WARREN—River 5 feet 2 inches. Weather, light rain and cooler.

GREENSBORO—River 8 feet 8 inches and falling. Raining and slightly cooler. Woodward down Friday, and the James G. Blaine and the Dewey up.

MORGANTOWN—River 8 feet 6 inches and stationary. Weather, cloudy and cooler.

BROWNSVILLE—River 7 feet and falling. Snowing.

STUBENVILLE—River 14 feet 7 inches and falling. Snowing and cold. Down—Josh Cook, Volunteer, Charles Clark. Up—Lorena